

IN THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) ~~A fibrous absorbent article~~tampon for absorbing body fluids, the ~~fibrous absorbent article~~tampon comprising:

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one or more malodor counteractant materials; materials selected from the group consisting of: glycerin, glycerin compound, aldehyde, natural oil, solution of soluble natural compound, natural plant and herb extract, naturally occurring deodorizing active, acid, base, oxidant, chelating agent, ester, masking agent, sensory receptor alterant, oxidizing agent, biological agent, surfactant, surface active polymer, and any mixtures thereof;

wherein said one or more malodor counteractant materials is in a liquid form.

2. (Canceled)

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3. (Currently Amended) ~~The fibrous absorbent article~~The tampon of claim 1, wherein said one or more malodor counteractant materials is glycerin.

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4. (Currently Amended) ~~The fibrous absorbent article~~tampon of claim 1, wherein said one or more malodor counteractant materials is present between about 0.01 grams to about 50% of the total weight of the fibrous absorbent article.

5. (Currently Amended) ~~The fibrous absorbent article~~tampon of claim 1, wherein said one or more malodor counteractant materials is present between about 0.1 grams to about 20% of the total weight of the fibrous absorbent article.

6. (Currently Amended) A fibrous absorbent article~~tampon~~ for absorbing body fluids, the fibrous absorbent article~~tampon~~ comprising:

one or more malodor counteractant materials,

wherein said one or more malodor counteractant materials is naturally sourced.

7. (Currently Amended) ~~The fibrous absorbent article of claim 2, tampon of claim 6~~, wherein said one or more malodor counteractants is selected from the group consisting of: glycerin, glycerin compound, aldehyde, natural oil, solution of soluble natural compound, natural plant and herb extract, naturally occurring deodorizing active, acid, base, oxidant, chelating agent, ester, masking agent, sensory receptor alterant, oxidizing agent, biological agent, surfactant, surface active polymer, and any mixtures thereof.

8. (Currently Amended) ~~The fibrous absorbent article~~ The tampon of claim 6, wherein said one or more malodor counteractant materials is glycerin.

9. (Currently Amended) ~~The fibrous absorbent article~~tampon of claim 6, wherein said one or more malodor counteractant materials is present between about 0.01 grams to about 50% of the total weight of the fibrous absorbent article.

10. (Currently Amended) ~~The fibrous absorbent article~~tampon of claim 6, wherein said one or more malodor counteractant materials is present between about 0.1 grams to about 20% of the total weight of the fibrous absorbent article.

11. (Currently Amended) ~~An fibrous absorbent article~~A tampon for absorbing body fluids, the fibrous absorbent article~~tampon~~ having thereon a malodor counteractant material comprising:

glycerin; and

at least one additional malodor counteractant material selected from the group consisting of aldehyde, natural oil, solution of soluble natural compound, natural plant and herb extract, naturally occurring deodorizing active, acid, base, oxidant, chelating agent, ester, masking agent, sensory receptor alterant, oxidizing agent, biological agent, surfactant, surface active polymer, zeolite, and any mixtures thereof.

12. (Currently Amended) The ~~fibrous absorbent article~~tampon of claim 11, wherein said glycerin is in liquid form.

13. (Currently Amended) The ~~fibrous absorbent article~~tampon of claim 11, wherein said glycerin is all naturally sourced.

14. (Currently Amended) The ~~fibrous absorbent article~~tampon of claim 11, wherein said at least one additional malodor counteractant material is in liquid form.

15. (Currently Amended) The ~~fibrous absorbent article~~tampon of claim 11, wherein said at least one additional malodor counteractant material is all naturally sourced.

16. (Currently Amended) The ~~fibrous absorbent article~~tampon of claim 11, wherein said zeolite is a thermal type 3 clinoptilolite.

17. (Currently Amended) The ~~fibrous absorbent article~~tampon of claim 11, wherein said acid is citric acid.

18. (Currently Amended) The ~~fibrous absorbent article~~tampon of claim 11, wherein said oxidant is ascorbic acid.

19. (Currently Amended) The ~~fibrous absorbent article~~ tampon of claim 11, wherein said chelating agent is ascorbic acid.

20. (Currently Amended) A ~~fibrous absorbent article~~ tampon for absorbing body fluids comprising:

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a fibrous material suitable for absorbing said body fluids; and

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a liquid glycerin that does not support microbial growth, disposed in ~~said fibrous material~~ the tampon to absorb odors associated with said body fluids.

21. (Currently Amended) The ~~fibrous absorbent article~~ tampon of claim 20, wherein said liquid glycerin is combined with at least one additional malodor counteractant material selected from the group consisting of: aldehyde, natural oil, solution of soluble natural compound, natural plant and herb extract, naturally occurring deodorizing active, acid, base, oxidant, chelating agent, ester, masking agent, sensory receptor alterant, oxidizing agent, biological agent, surfactant, surface active polymer, zeolite, and any mixtures thereof.

22. (Currently Amended) The ~~fibrous absorbent article~~ The tampon of claim 21, wherein said liquid glycerin is naturally sourced.

23. (Currently Amended) The ~~fibrous absorbent article~~ tampon of claim 21, wherein said one or more additional malodor counteractant materials is naturally sourced.

24. (Currently Amended) A method of deodorizing a vaginal area comprising: applying the ~~fibrous absorbent article~~ tampon of claim 1 to said vaginal area,

wherein said one or more malodor counteractant materials counteracts malodor in said vaginal area.

25. (Currently Amended) A method of deodorizing a vaginal area comprising:

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applying ~~to said vaginal area~~ a fibrous absorbent article of claim 6 to said vaginal area,

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wherein ~~said glycerin and said at least one additional~~ ~~having one or more~~ malodor counteractant materials,

~~material~~ wherein said one or more malodor counteractant materials is naturally sourced and counteracts malodor in said vaginal area.

26. (Currently Amended) A method of deodorizing a vaginal area comprising:

applying to said vaginal area a fibrous absorbent article of claim 11 to said vaginal area, having thereon a malodor counteractant material comprising:

glycerin; and

at least one additional malodor counteractant material selected from the group consisting of: aldehyde, natural oil, solution of soluble natural compound, natural plant and herb extract, naturally occurring deodorizing active, acid, base, oxidant, chelating agent, ester, masking agent, sensory receptor alterant, oxidizing agent, biological agent, surfactant, surface active polymer, zeolite, and any mixtures thereof.

wherein said glycerin and said at least one additional malodor counteractant material counteracts malodor in said vaginal area.

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27. (Currently Amended) A method of deodorizing a vaginal area comprising:

~~applying the fibrous absorbent article of claim 20 to said vaginal area,~~

applying to said vaginal area a fibrous absorbent article having a fibrous material suitable for absorbing body fluids and a liquid glycerin that does not support microbial growth disposed in said fibrous material,

wherein said liquid glycerin counteracts malodor in said vaginal area.

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28. (New) A fibrous absorbent article for absorbing body fluids, the fibrous

absorbent article comprising:

one or more malodor counteractant materials selected from the group consisting of: aldehyde, natural oil, solution of soluble natural compound, natural plant and herb extract, naturally occurring deodorizing active, oxidant, ester, sensory receptor alterant, oxidizing agent, biological agent, surfactant, surface active polymer, and any mixtures thereof,

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wherein said one or more malodor counteractant materials is in a liquid form.

29. (New) The tampon of claim 28, wherein said one or more malodor counteractant materials is present between about 0.01 grams to about 50% of the total weight of the fibrous absorbent article.

30. (New) The tampon of claim 28, wherein said one or more malodor counteractant materials is present between about 0.1 grams to about 20% of the total weight of the fibrous absorbent article.